Introduced by Senator Petris

February 21, 1996

An act to amend Section 214.14 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to taxation, to take effect immediately, tax levy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1692, as amended, Petris. Property taxation: welfare exemption: museums.

Existing property tax law establishes a welfare exemption under which property is exempt from taxation if, among other things, that property is used exclusively for religious, hospital, scientific, or charitable purposes and is owned and operated by an entity, as provided, that is itself organized and operated for those purposes. Existing law also provides that property used exclusively for the charitable purposes of museums and owned and operated by a religious, hospital, scientific, or charitable fund, foundation, or corporation meeting specified requirements shall be deemed to be within the welfare exemption.

bill This would further provide that property exclusively for the charitable purposes of associations and organizations performing auxiliary services to any city or county museum in the state shall include property used for activities and facilities related to the primary charitable purposes of these nonprofit associations and organizations, including property on which an annual rummage sale is held, the proceeds of which, after taking into SB 1692 -2-

account the expenses of the nonprofit associations and organizations, are used to provide support to museums museums shall include property owned and used by a nonprofit association or organization performing auxiliary services to any city or county museum in the state, including property used for the storage of items donated for an annual rummage sale, the proceeds of which, after taking into account the expenses of the nonprofit association or organization, are used to provide support to those museums.

Section 2229 of the Revenue and Taxation Code requires the Legislature to reimburse local agencies annually for certain property tax revenues lost as a result of any exemption or classification of property for purposes of ad valorem property taxation.

This bill would provide that, notwithstanding Section 2229 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, no appropriation is made and the state shall not reimburse local agencies for property tax revenues lost by them pursuant to the bill.

This bill would take effect immediately as a tax levy.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 214.14 of the Revenue and
- 2 Taxation Code is amended to read:
- 3 214.14. Property used exclusively for the charitable
- 4 purposes of museums and owned and operated by a
- 5 religious, hospital, scientific, or charitable fund
- 6 foundation, or corporation which meets all the
- 7 requirements of subdivision (a) of Section 214 shall be
- 8 deemed to be within the exemption provided by Sections
- 9 4 and 5 of Article XIII of the California Constitution and
- 10 Section 214. For purposes of this section:
- 11 (a) Property used exclusively for the charitable
- 12 purposes of museums shall include property used for
- 13 activities and facilities related to the primary charitable
- 14 purposes of museums and reasonably necessary and
- 15 incidental to those purposes.

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(b) Property used exclusively for the charitable purposes of museums shall not be required to indispensable to the primary charitable purposes museums.

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- (c) Property exclusively for used the charitable purposes of museums shall not include property used for activities facilities not related to the primary charitable purposes of museums and not reasonably necessary or incidental to those purposes.
- exclusively (d) Property used for the charitable purposes of nonprofit associations and organizations performing auxiliary services to any city or county museum in the state shall include property used for 13 14 activities and facilities related to the primary charitable purposes of these nonprofit associations and 16 organizations, including property on which an annual rummage sale is held, the proceeds of which, after taking 18 into account the expenses of the nonprofit associations and organizations, are used to provide support to museums. For purposes of this subdivision, property used exclusively for the charitable purposes of nonprofit associations and organizations performing auxiliary services to any city or county museum shall not be required to be indispensable to the primary charitable purposes of those nonprofit associations and organizations. purposes of museums shall property owned and used by a nonprofit association or 28 organization performing auxiliary services to any city or county museum in the state, including property used for 30 the storage of items donated for an annual rummage sale, the proceeds of which, after taking into account the expenses of the nonprofit association or organization, are used to provide support to those museums. For purposes of this subdivision, "storage of items donated for an 34 annual rummage sale" shall not be considered a "fundraising activity," as that term is used in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 214.
 - SEC. 2. Notwithstanding Section 2229 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, no appropriation is made by this act

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and the state shall not reimburse any local agency for any
property tax revenues lost by it pursuant to this act.
SEC. 3. This act provides for a tax levy within the
meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into

- 5 immediate effect.